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**Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application. No amendments to the claims have been made. This listing is provided merely for continuity across documents and as a convenience to the Examiner.

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**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): An input method combining verbal and handwritten inputs, the input method comprising:  
utilizing a speech recognition algorithm to generate a first list according to verbal  
10 input;  
utilizing a character recognition algorithm to generate a second list according to  
handwritten input;  
generating a third list that is an intersection of characters common to the first list  
and the second list; and  
15 presenting the third list to a user.

Claim 2 (Original): The input method of claim 1 further comprising providing at least  
a database from which characters are selected by the speech recognition  
algorithm and the character recognition algorithm to fill the first list and the  
20 second list, respectively.

Claim 3 (Original): The input method of claim 2 further comprising adding a first  
character to the database, the first character generated by the user using an  
auxiliary input method.

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Claim 4 (Original): The input method of claim 3 wherein the speech recognition  
algorithm utilizes a first standard for speech recognition, and adapts the first  
standard to verbal characteristics of the user.

30 Claim 5 (Original): The input method of claim 4 wherein the verbal characteristics of  
the user corresponding to the first character are added to the database.

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**Claim 6 (Original):** The input method of claim 3 wherein the character recognition algorithm utilizes a second standard for character recognition, and adapts the second standard to handwriting characteristics of the user.

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**Claim 7 (Original):** The input method of claim 6 wherein the handwriting characteristics of the user corresponding to the first character are added to the database.

10 **Claim 8 (Original):** The input method of claim 3 wherein the auxiliary input method involves the use of a keyboard to generate the first character.